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Subject: Re: [External] RE: 2021-153-S - Request for Clarification re November Public Hearings

Chris:

I found out that two witnesses have signed up to appear in person. List will be on DMS soon.

Thanks

David Butler

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 5, 2021, at 3:30 PM, Huber, Christopher <chuber@ors.sc.gov> wrote:

Mr. Butler:

Do parties have the option of appearing in person at the Commission for the public hearing on Monday morning? I recognize the sign up deadline is 4:00 pm today, and it may not be clear at this point whether anybody has requested to testify in person.

Thank you.

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Great. Thank you David

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Roger:

Yes. I am asking our video crew to send Webex invitations to all parties, so that any party can participate virtually.

Thanks,

David Butler

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David,

I also have a follow up question related to the public hearings Monday and Tuesday.

Will counsel for the parties be able to participate virtually regardless of how the public witness chooses to testify?

Thank you for your assistance,

Roger

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This is helpful. Thanks

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Scott:

The public hearings are still a bit of a work in progress. Public witnesses have until Friday, November 4, 2021 at 4 pm to sign up. However, the plan at present would be to open the hearing on Monday as scheduled. If we still have only two public witnesses, the Commission may hear from those witnesses, suspend the hearing, and cancel the Tuesday portion of the hearing. If more people sign up, the likelihood is that they will be testifying on Monday. This is the only information that we have at present, and is subject to change by the Commission. You may want to check the Commission DMS and/or website for further information as we go forward.

Thanks,
 David Butler
 Chief Hearing Officer

From: Scott Elliott <selliott@elliottlaw.us>

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Mr. Butler, I am following up your email below. According to the DMS, there is one public witness signed up to testify at 9:05 am on November 8th. A second witness has apparently expressed an interest in testifying but has not signed up. I am trying to prepare my schedule for the hearing in the above and would ask at what point the Commission will determine to cancel the public hearings if they prove to be unnecessary?

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Nicole:

The Schedule has been explained to me as follows:

On both days, November 8 and 9, a customer can elect to participate in the hearing either virtually or in person at the Commission. They can let us know their preference when they pre-register.

On November 8, the hearing will be from 9 am to 1 pm and 4 pm to 8 pm.

November 9 has been indicated "as needed." The hearing on the 9th will begin at 12 Noon and proceed "as needed."

I hope this helps.
 Thanks and Regards,
 David Butler
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David:

Good Afternoon. ORS is respectfully requesting clarification on a couple of items related to the upcoming public hearings in Docket No. 2021-153-S.

The Order Approving Bill Insert Timeline the Commission issued on June 17, 2021, indicated that a public hearing would be held on November 8th from 9 am to 1 pm and 4 pm to 8 pm, and at the same times on November 9th (if a second day of public hearings was requested). The Notice of Filing and Public Hearings filed on June 30th indicates the same timeframes on November 8th and 9th (as needed) and indicates the hearings will be in-person or virtual. The Revised and Final Letter Regarding Scheduling of Hearing the Commission filed on September 15th states the hearings will run from 9 am to 1 pm and 4 pm to 8 pm on both dates. Both the June 30th Notice of Filing and Public Hearings and the Revised and Final Letter Regarding Scheduling of Hearing contain a link to a Survey Monkey that indicates the public hearing on Monday, November 8 will be occurring in-person, while Tuesday, November 9 will be virtual.

On DMS, the information listed under the "Hearings" tab differs from the above: the 9:00 am time block on Monday, November 8 is listed as a virtual hearing, while the 4:00 pm time block is listed as in-person. For Tuesday, November 9th, the "Hearings" tab indicates there will be an in-person public hearing at 12:00 pm.

Both for our own internal planning purposes and for any consumer inquiries we may receive, ORS respectfully asks for clarification as to whether the information at the Survey Monkey link that the public hearing on November 8th will be in-person and the public hearing on November 9th will be virtual is correct. In addition, will the hearings on both dates be from 9 am to 1 pm and 4 pm to 8 pm or are different times planned for one or both dates?

By copy of this email, I am including all parties of record.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Kind regards,

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